

Amendments to the Specification:

[0013] In yet another form of the invention, a center floor console assembly is provided for a motor vehicle comprising a bottom tray, a plurality of upright supports, each having one end attached to the bottom tray and a second end spaced from said bottom tray; a ~~cross bar~~ beam interconnecting the second end of two of the plurality of upright support members, a first storage module attached to the second end of a first plurality of upright supports, a second storage module attached to the second end of the second plurality of upright supports, and at least one socket operably coupled to a power supply within the vehicle and mounted on the center floor console. Additional storage modules may be provided intermediate and substantially adjacent the first and second storage modules. The additional storage modules may include a file hanger assembly intermediate and substantially adjacent the first and the second storage modules. Additional storage module may repose on the bottom tray or be retained by a member detachably coupled to a rail extending along opposing sides of the bottom tray. Each bottom tray may further include an anchoring member attached to the bottom tray for preventing the center floor console from sliding within the vehicle while the vehicle is in motion. As in the previous embodiments or forms of the invention, upright supports, the storage modules, and the ~~cross-member~~ beam may be disassembled and broken down into smaller components for easy storage.

[0033] Also shown in **FIG. 2-5** is a low profile Medial storage module 38 in the form of a tray intermediate Terminals 26. The tray 38 provides a generally wide, long and shallow area for storing items. Such may be used to receive small bags or boxes, papers, and other miscellaneous items selected by the user. Tray 38 may be supported by horizontal supports or beams 40 extending between each of the Terminals 26. For example, each beam or support 40 may be formed from a tubular material of sufficient strength and rigidity to bridge the distance between the Terminals 26. The ends of the beams 40 may be held in position by recesses formed in the interior facing surfaces of the Terminals 26. Alternatively, the beams 40 may be attached to the upper ends of the upright support members 22 to form a framework or superstructure above the bottom tray 18. In the latter configuration, accommodation would need to be made in the interior facing wall of the Terminals 26 to receive the beams 40 proximate the upright supports. The low profile tray 38 is anticipated to include channels or the like along the underside of the perimeter edge 42 of sufficient dimension to be press fit over the beams or horizontal supports 40 to fix the tray in position. Alternatively, snap fit fasteners may be molded into the underside of the tray to accomplish the same purpose. It is also anticipated that no fastening mechanism at all be provided to engage the beams 40, but rather mating fasteners (not shown) may be designed in the ends 44 of the tray 38 adjacent Terminals 26 to engage corresponding mating fasteners and fix it in place. Lastly it is anticipated that a combination of the aforementioned fastening systems may be provided to insure a secure and rugged assembly. As noted above, the embodiments of this framework are designed to be disassembled. So, it should be apparent to one skilled

in the art that all fittings between the tray, horizontal supports, beams, and storage modules would be non-permanent so that each element may detach from the others.

[0041] In another embodiment, the center floor console assembly for a motor vehicle includes a bottom tray such a identified by numeral **18**, a plurality of upright supports, each having one end attached to said bottom tray and a second end spaced from said bottom tray. ~~A cross bar~~ At least one beam is provided to interconnect the second end of the upright support members to create a framework above the bottom tray. The framework receives at least one storage module and, in most instances, more than one storage module to suit the user's requirements. The floor console also includes at least one connectivity socket mounted to a predetermined location on one of the bottom tray or one of the storage modules. The connectivity socket in turn is adapted to be operably coupled to a corresponding system within the vehicle. In addition to the storage modules attached to the framework, the invention also contemplates additional removable modules for use on the bottom tray. These may include cans, boxes, trays, and the like of different sizes and with or without closing lids.

[0043] Another aspect of this invention briefly mentioned above is the ability to customize the specific configuration. The plurality of upright supports, ~~cross members~~ beams and the storage modules may be disassembled and separated from said bottom tray. The modules may be separated from the upright supports and ~~cross member~~ beam individually and rearranged, or the entire framework assembly with the storage modules attached may be removed as a unit, depending upon the user's need.